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TO [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: Home Leave <sup>and</sup> Reassignment

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[REDACTED] wants some advice on a difficult problem which I believe we have gone into from time to time at some length. It involves the prospective cutdown in certain field areas and reassignment of personnel. [REDACTED] first question concerns home leave. If a man has been at one station and is brought back here for training and reassignment, is his overseas service merely interrupted so that the period back here is deducted from home leave? There are various possibilities, and probably we should have answers to the following:

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- (1) Employee A is brought back from Station X for from one to three months training here and definite reassignment to Station Y.
- (2) Employee B is brought back from Station X for training and definite reassignment to an overseas station, but with no station assigned.
- (3) Employee C is brought back from Station X with his future unknown and is, after one to three months training, sent to Station Y.

Of course this necessarily brings up the related problem of their travel orders. In case (1) do the orders have to be TDY? If so, what do we do with the man's family if the line of travel between the two stations does not cross Washington? In case (2) can the orders be TDY merely on the assumption that he is going to an overseas station? In case (3) I should think the orders would have to be PCS and this may necessarily start the period for home leave running anew if and when employee C goes abroad again. I think you will find something written on this. If not, we had better make a really good study of it as [REDACTED] is sure that it is going to be an early and recurring problem.

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*check with [REDACTED] on related question of transfer allowances.*

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